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GENEVA FOR SPRUCE

LONDON FOR MINISTER SMITH

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: TRILATERAL DISCUSSIONS ON MFA

REF: NEW DELHI 12091 (NOTAL); TOKYO 12479 (NOTAL)

1. JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALLY ADVISES THAT ITS DELEGATION TO THE TRILATERAL DISCUSSIONS ON THE RENEWAL OF THE MFA ON SEPT. 10-11 WILL BE LED BY A REPRESENTATIVE FROM GOJ EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON, PROBABLY ECON COUNSELOR IKEDA, AND WILL INCLUDE TAKAHASHI AND HONOBÉ FROM MITI AND KITAJIMA FROM MOFA GATT DIVISION. FORNMIN STATES IT HAS TAKEN ACCOUNT OF EMBASSY'S REPRESENTATIONS URGING HIGHER LEVEL PARTICIPATION FROM TOKYO BUT UNFORTUNATELY CANNOT SPARE MIZOGUCHI OR MATSUDA BECAUSE OF OTHER COMMITMENTS.

2. SECOND NO AM DIV DIRECTOR SAITO WILL JOIN BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS ONLY.

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3. BOTH KURODA AND TAKAHASHI OF MITI HAVE STRONGLY
HINTED THAT WE SHOULD NOT PLACE TOO MUCH WEIGHT ON
UNAVAILABILITY OF MATSUDA AND MIZOGUCHI, SINCE MITI HAS
THE FINAL WORD ON MFA RENEWAL ANYWAY. EMBASSY HAS
GIVEN NO HINT AS TO WHETHER FORN MIN DECISION IS
AGREEABLE.
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